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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO CHIEF OF STATE

1. PLEASE RELAY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT
CARTER TO PRESIDENT MOBUTU.

2. QUOTE: THANK YOU FOR YOUR WARM, CONSIDERATE MESSAGE
ON THE OCCASION OF MY INAUGURATION. AS I BEGIN MY DUTIES
AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES I WANT TO ASSURE YOU
OF THE UNITED STATES' GREAT INTEREST IN THE FUTURE OF
AFRICA AND MY DEDICATION TO DOING WHAT WE CAN TO ASSIST
IN THE EFFORT TO PROMOTE PEACE AND PROGRESS FOR ALL THE
PEOPLE OF THE CONTINENT.

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3. QUOTE THE UNITED STATES AND ZAIRE HAVE WORKED TOGETHER
FOR MANY YEARS IN PURSUIT OF OUR MUTUAL GOALS. TIES OF
FRIENDSHIP HAVE GROWN UP DURING THIS PARTNERSHIP FOR
PROGRESS AND IT IS MY DESIRE THAT OUR RELATIONSHIP
BE CONTINUED AND STRENGTHENED AS WE MEET THE CHALLENGES
OF THE COMING YEARS.

4. QUOTE AS A MATTER OF IMMEDIATE ATTENTION, I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES REMAINS DEEPLY CONCERNED

ABOUT THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. WE ARE FULLY COMMITTED TO CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA. MY ADMINISTRATION WILL CARRY ON THE EFFORTS ALREADY BEGUN TO BRING ABOUT PEACE AND JUSTICE IN THE REGION. IN THE FUTURE WE WILL USE OUR INFLUENCE AND GOOD OFFICES WHEREVER THEY MAY BE BEST APPLIED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL.

5. QUOTE THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT ASSUME THAT THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WILL BE AN EASY ONE. DESPITE THESE DIFFICULTIES, WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO GIVE DIPLOMACY EVERY CHANCE TO WORK.

6. QUOTE I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS VANCE TO BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU SEPARATELY TO CONSULT ON FUTURE STEPS WE MIGHT TAKE, AND WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE SOLUTIONS FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA'S DIFFICULT PROBLEMS. SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER UNQUOTE VANCE

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